



VOICE OF THE RESIDENTS

MESSAGE TO THE "VOICE OF THE RESIDENTS"

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of Broadmead, I would like to salute the staff of the "Voice of the Residents" on this 5th anniversary.

Since its inception the "Voice" has had strength and vitality, characteristics which have deepened with maturity.

The variety and sprightliness of the columns of this unassuming news medium are impressive, reflecting the vigor and intellectual interests of Broadmead Residents. It is never dull, always informative and often serves as a tool for interpretation of change or challenge. It has made a tremendous contribution to life at Broadmead and has been a major influence in building our caring community.

Lois Forbush

Lois Forbush, Chairman
Board of Trustees

FIFTH ANNIVERSARY ISSUE

HOW AND WHY IT ALL BEGAN

THE "VOICE"

The Voice of the Residents was supposed to be temporary, to "continue until there is a full-fledged Residents Association." That's what the first issue, dated October 25, 1979, said; but it hedged and added, "Or, if we are good enough, it may continue down the years." At least, the Voice has made it to five.

The Voice of the Residents got its name because there was a feeling in the temporary Program Committee that the Residents (40 of them at that time) wanted an organ that was "theirs and not an instrument of the Administration." It is part of the Voice's history that it has enjoyed absolute freedom from Administration pressures or control.

The temporary Program Committee chairman, Mildred Beck, conscripted the first editor.

The Voice has been lucky; it has enjoyed the widest Resident support and has been a good ambassador to those on the Futures list. (So the Futures say.) It has worked with the Trustees and the Administration on building an ever stronger and deeper sense of "community."

All of this is due to the loyal staff. At the outset Leland (Lefty) Graham designed the name-plate which is still carried today. Of the present twenty members, ten have been associated with the Voice since at least the second edition. They are: Franc Beck, Margaret Bouchelle, Dorothy Graham, Esther Mahan, Cy Murphy, Nancy Rowe, Margaret Tylor, Mildred Tyson, Claire Walker and the writer.

--G. James Fleming

Editor's Note: Jim Fleming was the founding editor and served in that capacity for three years. He remains a contributing member.

RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

January 31, 1980 - a day for each of us to remember - for on this date the Broadmead Residents Association came into being. At an evening meeting of Residents, with Kenneth Walker presiding, officers were elected and the proposed Constitution and Bylaws accepted.

Although this was an organizational meeting, many months of preparatory work had been carried on. In its early planning for Broadmead, the Board of Trustees had wisely considered the role of Residents and the responsibilities which should be theirs.

Kenneth Walker was asked by the Board to chair a committee of future Residents to do whatever preliminary planning it deemed advisable for the formation of a Residents Association. On December 19, 1978, long before Broadmead opened, this committee, with Haines Felter, Hall Hammond, Eleanor Matthews, Jean Moser, Eloise Scarlett, Wilson Sheldon, and Kenneth Walker began its work.

Laying the groundwork for the Association included drafting a Constitution and Bylaws, planning for representation of Residents on the Board of Directors, setting up committees and activities groups, and preparing a handbook of information for Residents. It was the work

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FRONT COVER

Knowing in advance that a message to the Voice from the Board of Trustees was on its way to us made it possible to place it on our front cover. The Voice happily shares the congratulatory spirit of the message with all who have contributed to the Voice, directly or indirectly, in its first five years - that encompasses the entire community.

--D.K.

RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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of this group and other contributing Residents which made it possible for the Association to begin to function following the January, 1980, meeting, where Kenneth Walker was elected its first President.

We believe that the Residents Association is unique among communities such as ours in that the interaction between the Trustees, the Administration, and the Association is one of cooperative planning and action. The Board of Directors with twenty-six members is also larger than usual and is made up of elected officers and representatives from each type of living arrangement.

During its first 18 months the Board of Directors and the Trustees, together, developed a plan for joint meetings between certain Trustee committees and parallel Residents committees, to meet quarterly. The committees were: Finance, Food and House, Buildings and Grounds, Activities, and Health Care. This plan was approved by the Trustees and the Residents in April, 1981.

Since that time lines of communication between the three groups - Trustees, Administration, Residents - have strengthened. It is this bond which has brought about continued investment in the part that each one plays in making Broadmead a caring, satisfying, and cohesive community. We anticipate the long continuation of its success.

--Kathaleen V. Kennedy

Happy Fifth

There was a meadow land
They turned to mud and sand
Now, not as one supposes -
Everything is coming up roses.

Sometime ago I wrote these lines for George Conner. To me they celebrate not only George's spectacular rose garden but also the metamorphosis that has taken place at Broadmead since its conception.

--Margaret Nelson

BROADMEAD, A WELL CHOSEN NAME

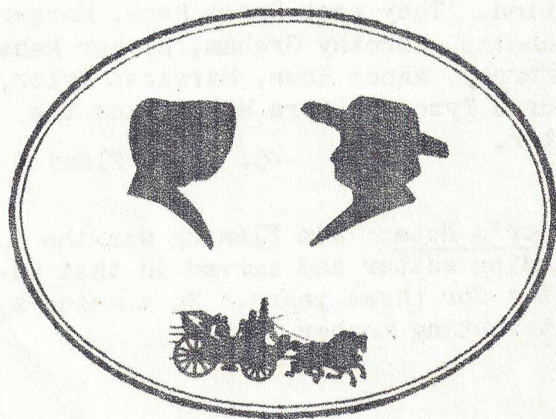
"The Lifetime Care Center was named Broadmead after the place in England where George Fox was married," says the Residents handbook. But the book, "Dear George," George Fox, Man and Prophet tells us more: Broadmead was a Quaker Meetinghouse in the outskirts of Bristol, which was one of the strongholds of the Quakers. "It was surrounded by wide fields and a quietly flowing river."

On the day of George Fox's marriage, October 27, 1669 (three hundred fifteen years ago), the Broadmead fields were filled with a well-dressed crowd of sea captains, merchants, shopkeepers and a score of the gentry with grooms in abundance. The ladies' satin dresses, many colored, brushed against one another.

"Later, every Meetinghouse was built with ample space for the horses, as well as the dogs. When George left in his will instructions for building a Meetinghouse in Philadelphia, he stipulated ten acres should be reserved for the horses."

In keeping with George Fox's injunction is our 80-acre Broadmead tract, with its parking spaces to accommodate 75% of the residents. It, too, has nature trails, wide fields, and a quietly flowing Western Run.

--Mary Craig



Broadmead's 5 Year Milestone: The new addition

Residents Gift Shop

Yes! The "new" Country Store is all ready for Christmas upon re-opening. Marie Phillips' usual display has added features: hats, ceramic lamps, elegant brass book-ends, gift waste-baskets, lots of inexpensive stocking stuffers, new-style bags, doves flying overhead, and a cozy children's corner. And wonder of wonders: room!--for wheel-chairs to go around all counters, and even a place for customers to sit and ponder. The new Gift Shop has, in addition, a spacious stockroom and office space.

Participating in this new luxury will be an army of volunteers minding the store, in two-hour shifts from 11 to 3 and 5:30 to 7:30, six days a week. Kathaleen Kennedy is helping Marie organize coverage by six people a day (two workers at a time being needed for all this space) under the day chairmen.

Buyer Sought to Succeed Marie

It looks as though the needed complement of 36 volunteers may be lined up, but the question of a new buyer to replace Marie has no clear answer. Namah Browning has been helping get supplies for the rest of 1984. But after January 1, Marie will go on only two more buying trips with a successor, if we have one. After that she will continue to work only in the shop.

Sam Silberstein, store manager, hopes two or three Residents will volunteer to be trained by Marie to do the buying--a task she has done wonderfully well over the years since opening. According to Sam, if we hire an outside person, part-time, for this task, it would make a deep inroad into the profit available for the Residents Association.

Sam expressed warm thanks to all the volunteers for their work and their interest, and to all the Residents for supporting the store. He hopes this will continue. He made a point of extending this appreciation to Dave McIntyre, Billie Tyson, Denny Phillips, Dorothy Parker, Mamie Phillips, and Annette Close for their important and generous behind-the-scenes work. As for himself, he wants to continue to give the project all he can to maintain its success.

New Hallowell Wing

Soon the much-anticipated third wing of our nursing home will be finished, and ready for occupancy of its 14 new single rooms. An opening date cannot be set because of the several state and county procedures and inspections required.

The new rooms are small as compared with the rooms on East and West. But they will bring our number of single rooms up to 38, leaving 10 double rooms, making a total of 58 available beds. The small closets of the new rooms are in marked contrast to the others but the oxygen input is in the walls and no precious space need be given to large tanks.

Although it is expected that the new singles will be used largely for temporary patients, the small size of our total nursing facility makes some flexibility of use essential.

Coffee Shop

The coffee shop is now expanded but much comment has been heard about the loss of daylight; the new windows are on an inside corridor. The improvement of lighting, however, is a remediable situation, but it is a matter of money which at present is not available. The amount needed is not great but may have to await a future year's budget. Nevertheless, the Administration looks upon this work as rather urgent and has begun study of the procedure to follow when money becomes available.

Expanded Branch Bank

When Broadmead opened with a branch bank, this was a new idea which is spreading to other communities, according to Gail Whitehead, Associate Executive Director.

The Union Trust will have added features as part of the new addition. It will now open five days a week, with some safe-deposit boxes, a cubby-hole for coupon clipping, and a consultation room.

Broadmead's fifth birthday promises to be a banner occasion.

--Claire Walker

Change is Natural and Nature is Changeable

Five years ago we jokingly called it "Broadmud." Though we disliked the mud, the swallows welcomed it for rebuilding their destroyed nests in the barn. It could also have been dubbed "Broadweed." Weedy it was, but opportunistic Residents gathered edible plants, while wildlife consumed seeds and naturalists enjoyed wildflowers. Now, it is truly "Broadmead."

Remember the catch-basin beside B and D? Its mudflats attracted five kinds of shorebirds and its water lured ducks and two species of gulls. It is now a great, green bowl, with three little spring-fed rivulets which swell in heavy rains to form a pond. Gulls and shorebirds are but a memory now. But other things still happen there. Recently a Resident watched crows catch field mice in the tall, brookside vegetation. By the way, has anyone seen the albino crow this year?

Wind and weather, age and disease have brought down several large trees in Broadmead's shady groves. On the wooded knoll between the old and new entrance roads, birders witnessed something special four years ago. A mother wood duck and her last fledgling (raised in a nest cavity high in an ancient oak) floated gently side by side to the ground. There the downy duckling joined its seven siblings as they fell in line behind their mother for their march to Western Run and their first swimming lesson.

The following year the same old oak cradled in its rotting trunk a barred owl's nest. The two young birds left only a few days before the tree succumbed to a violent storm. Breaking in two, it crashed and narrowly missed the bluebird box containing its first successful brood. Where do the owls and ducks now nest?

Nature is continually adapting to change. The former swimming pool is now an aquatic habitat providing sustenance for plants, fish, and birds of a dozen species, including red-winged blackbirds nesting in the cattails. Hanging plants became new nest sites.

"The old order changeth, yielding to new." Not likely to change, however, is the presence of the ubiquitous, tenacious, adaptable house sparrow and starling, both non-native and without portfolio!

--Nancy Rowe

Serenade To Autumn

Could I presume to catch a phrase
To match the charm of Autumn,
'Twere music spelling mellow days
As chaste as Doric column.

To follow Summer's fever comes
The season for all men --
This architect of splendor numbs
All else but pleasure's yen.

For Autumn is a mood so pensive
Intimations stir,
Of rapture golden, inexpensive
Things that precious were.

The sun arrives both warm and cool,
A recipe so pleasant;
Tuitions's free in Nature's school,
To learn of quail and pheasant.

The leaves descend like whirligigs
To rest in golden-rod;
Staccato crackling of the twigs
Beats time in rhyme with God.

Deciduous will soon be bald,
Conserving oaks will prattle,
Keeping leather leaves installed,
Some icy blast to rattle.

Come, Autumn, stay...not hasty be,
Stay on to postpone Winter --
O thou euphoric ecstasy,
Pure gold from God the Minter!

--Rowe Hinsey

Editor's note: Poems by Rowe Hinsey have been appearing intermittently in the Voice since July 1980.

OPEN HOUSE

On February 17, 1980, Broadmead held its first Open House, to show friends and neighbors how "Broadmead is developing." The Activities Committee of the Board felt that we now should have another Open House, this time to show "Life at Broadmead." SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7th, FROM TWO TO FIVE P.M. we look forward to welcoming those on our Future List, friends of Residents, and the families of Staff.

Guests will be greeted at the entrance to the Perimeter Road (which will be one-way, counter-clockwise all that Sunday). They will be handed a sheet with explicit parking directions, asking them not to park in Cluster areas, and a description of where the many activities at Broadmead take place. The majority of these will, of course, be in the Community Building. We also hope they will visit Holly House and the units which Residents have graciously offered to show. These units will be sporting balloons (which can be removed by Residents if they have had enough sight-seers!)

Owing to the vastness of Broadmead, there will be no official "tour"; guests will have to select areas that interest them the most from the hand-out sheet. Residents and Board members will be stationed at strategic places in the community to serve for information and to welcome our guests. There will be refreshments for all.

Caroline Cochran
Trustees, Chairman of Activities

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The BIG November BARN SALE

Thursday, November 8
7 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Friday, November 9
8 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Keep your donations coming!
V.I.C.

SPIRIT OF BROADMEAD'S FOUNDERS AND THEIR FORERUNNERS EXTOLLED

In this issue of the Voice we pay special tribute to the Stony Run Meeting of Friends and its Taylor Committee which was succeeded by the Committee on Aging, and to Broadmead's founding group which grew out of the explorations and deliberations of these two Committees.

For nine years, the past and present Trustees of Broadmead have implemented the concern for care of the aging, drawing on the generously given skills of both Quaker and non-Quaker groups in the Baltimore community.

Trustees do not talk about the high potential risk they undertook in 1975; and the start-up anxieties of opening in 1979 have been, not forgotten, but put behind them. The new life which Broadmead's Residents have found, thanks to the unflagging work of the Board, reflects its unique vision of what they hoped the community would be.

It required more than ordinary courage and caring to begin this venture, and resources of fortitude and ingenuity and--yes--humor, on which to draw to carry it forward in its first year and in varying degrees thereafter.

These qualities, so abundantly present, have been illuminated continuously by the conviction of Friends that "there is that of God in every man"--a philosophy that permeates the quality of life at Broadmead.

Recognition of these values was implicit in outgoing President Kathaleen Kennedy's expression of appreciation to the Trustees and Administration when she thanked them for establishing a uniquely close working relationship with the Residents Association and "creating a structure in which (it) could thrive and grow into the productive organization it has become." (Residents Association Annual Meeting, June 1984)

For this, and much more, the Voice thanks and applauds all who have been involved!

--Draza Kline, Editor

SEW-and-SO, 100 YEAR TRADITION

Well over a hundred years ago the Friends Meeting, which was to become Stony Run Society of Friends, formed a culture and sewing group and called it The Friends Benevolent Society. It is now called the Sew and So Group and is still a group where men and women come together regularly to sew for charity and to have special programs. Harriette Shelton arranges these, many of which are given by Residents.

When we came to Broadmead, practically the entire Sew and So Group moved here. We continued making layette garments--hand embroidered by Dora Chilcoat, Erna Gordieyeff, Wilson Goldsmith, Eleanor Matthews, Dorothy Ohrenschall, Margaret Otis and others. We added knitted garments by Louise Schneidereith, Esther Mallonee and Dot Graham.

These are distributed to American-Friends Service Committee, the inner city Immaculate Conception Mission, and others.

On Tuesdays, a group meets in the Sewing Room under the supervision of Mary Waters and Margaret Bouchelle to mend and alter clothes for Residents who pay a small contribution. We have kept four sewing machines in A-1 condition, and have contributed nearly \$1,500 to BRAF.

This group helps Housekeeping by mending coverlets and other household linens; makes articles needed on Hallowell Hall, and sews name tapes on clothes, as needed.

The regular volunteers are: Delight Bennett, Margaret Bouchelle, Rosamond Chenowith, Marie Cunningham, Grace Lindeman, Helen Matthews, Maryland Pennell, Adelaide Russell, Mary Waters and Dot Wolfe. Florence Horney takes good care of our funds.

Lois Kovak, manager of A Fabric Place, has helped us make good buys of material. With the help of Maryland Pennell, she sends us pattern books.

Residents find it helpful to study these in our convenient, quiet place.

We who have participated in these service projects have received great joy and satisfaction.

--Margaret Bouchelle



HOUSEKEEPERS CELEBRATE WITH ROSES

National Housekeeper's Week, Sept. 9-14, was signaled by balloons flying above the housekeeping carts. The week was commemorated for the staff by "one beautiful big rose" given by George Conner to each member of the housekeeping staff. The end of the week was marked by a luncheon given for the department by Administration. A professional photographer was present and since Maria Brown, Executive Housekeeper, also took some pictures, we can hope to see some on the bulletin board in the not-too-distant future.

Reprieve

Gone are the summer fire-flies
Gone our childhood lightning bugs
Extinguished by scientist and spray
While civilization shrugs

At sundown no children's faces
Light up with ecstasy
Marveling at the captive spark
In careful hands - a mystery

But now in moonless dark a tiny glow
Is signaling its remaining mate
Hoping for more twinkling lights
Before it is too late.

--Margaret Nelson

FROM MUD TO MARIGOLDS

BROADMEAD THEN AND NOW

It seems appropriate that this fifth anniversary issue of the Voice do a bit of reminiscing about Broadmead's early days, and contrast it with what we have today. Space does not permit the full reprint of an article written by Claire Walker for the first anniversary issue, October 1980, but following are some direct quotes:

"Great were our expectations when we moved to Broadmead, the first settlers on the first day it opened. Unexpected were the manifold tribulations we encountered, almost daily, after that September 24, 1979....The Center was an unfinished shell; some of the clusters were barely laid out; a mountain of mud outside our patio doors obscured from sight everything but the electric transformer and the telephone box....

"....Friends from other centers counseled: 'These projects don't get born full grown. Surely you knew it would take a few years to get it together?'

"Yes, we knew, but....

"....For six months....every gain seemed balanced by a setback. The record snowfall of October 10 made the national news, (and) added to the threat we felt. A week later Stouffers served the first dinner of veal cordon bleu in the temporary dining room of a partially completed Center -- and that was a thrill.

"In November, Broadmead's elegant dining room opened, fully decorated, a tastefully gorgeous ensemble....The first sumptuous Wednesday buffet was offered on the 28th.

"In the clusters, outdoor lights began to appear, but some soon went out, and the long treks from M, L, and K with flashlights and lanterns continued.... but, remember that breathtaking, perfect double rainbow about supertime on November 26?"

Yes - there was more to come. Read on:

"Problems continued into December. To add incredulity to consternation, workmen accidentally broke fuel pump equipment....and many of us had too little heat, too much cold....But the snack bar opened; the bottom floor of the Center received its permit to operate and the beauty parlor started improving our looks. Christmas decorations appeared, shyly in some spots, boldly in and around the Center....Less dogged and indomitable spirits than Martin Trueblood and his staff and Catherine Motz and her Board, would have collapsed by this time.

"During January....the Residents Association was formed. 'Activities' worked up a program with bus transport, and one night, a group with tickets in hand, was "snowed home" by a freak storm on January 24....

"With the spring comes hope eternal, however. And hope at Broadmead was green, displacing mud-brown. Plantings in the late fall outlasted the winter; grass gradually spread over the general expanse of our 80 acres, and early blossoms no matter how timid, all encouraged us to renew our faith...."

Claire Walker concluded her article with the following:

"There is a vast contentment taking shape at Broadmead. On any occasion we can hear ourselves and our neighbors luxuriating in this place where we can be alone but do not have to be lonely. We all have friends here whom we would never have met under ordinary circumstances.... we are fulfilling our expectations.... We are glad we had the wisdom to choose to come, and pleased with ourselves that we got here first. Broadmead is becoming Broadmead."

We "newcomers" (meaning anyone who came after December 1980) salute you "old-timers" (meaning anyone who came during the first fifteen months) and pay tribute

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to your fortitude, your faith and your spirit.

Our inheritance is rich; beautiful landscaping, a Center pulsating with activities of infinite variety, and, under the leadership of Executive Director Martin Trueblood, a Food Service Department responsive to our needs and wishes, a Health Care Department dedicated to assuring us vitality of life, Maintenance and Housekeeping personnel that cater to our every need, staff members in every department who care and, above all, handle every emergency, major or minor, swiftly and expertly, giving us a strong sense of security.

Our neighbors insure that all of us have extended families and the close working together of Residents, Administration, and Trustees further enhance the quality of our lives.

Broadmead is truly a special place.

--Vivian I. Cord



TRUSTEES ANNUAL MEETING

On Monday evening, October 15th, we will celebrate our Fifth Anniversary with a gala birthday banquet. This will be followed by the Ninth Annual Meeting of the Broadmead Board of Trustees at 7:30, to which all Residents are cordially invited. We will then be privileged to hear Sister Kathleen Feeley, S.S.N.D., the president of the College of Notre Dame, give one of her well-known insightful talks. And we will wind up the evening with a reception at which time Board members, Residents, and Sister Feeley may greet each other.

--Caroline Cochran

Trustees, Chairman of Activities

DISCUSSION GROUP - 5 YEARS OF ILLUSTRIOUS HISTORY

Often called "the intellectual power house" of Broadmead, the Discussion Group, too, is observing its fifth anniversary this Fall--five years of enlightenment, of challenge, of information, of education--education in the root meaning of the word, "drawing out."

Every other week, except in the two summer months, an average of 60 Broadmeaders gather to hear examined some important topic from the opening presentation, "American Foreign Policy--Issues of War and Peace," to a series on John Naisbitt's "Megatrends," to "The American Presidency after 1984," and more.

The first year nearly every "expert" was a Resident. Since then, many of the speakers have been from the outside--the United Nations, the Congress and Executive departments of the government, and the several institutions and organizations in the Baltimore area. Next year's speakers are expected from Canada and Latin America.

When the Discussion Group started, it was thought that only a handful of Residents would be interested, but the lowest number attending has been 37, the highest over 100.

Each speaker is allowed generous time to develop his topic and the attenders use their time for questions and commentary. Many attenders prepare themselves by advance reading on the topic to be discussed.

During the formative years, the Discussion Group was fortunate to have as chairman Chuck Baldwin, who brought his 40-year background as a Foreign Service Officer to the service of the group. He was succeeded by Ken Walker who brought to the chairmanship his 30 years as an Economic Historian.

The chairman is supported by a Steering Committee of Residents, numbering eleven.

--G. James Fleming,

Discussion Group Chairman

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

On Saturday morning at the end of each month, 9 Voice staff members gather in the Administration meeting room to collate and staple more than 5,000 printed sheets to make 1,000 or more copies of the Voice. They fold more than half of these for mailing and distribute about 350 copies to Residents' boxes.

But don't go there to see for yourself because they are finished before most of us take our first good morning yawn. Franc Beck heads this dawn brigade which includes Ruth Dibert, Esther Mahan, Cy Murphy, Margaret Tylor, and Mildred Tyson. These names appear each month on the Voice's masthead but give no hint of the tasks they perform, month after month, year after year.

How the 5,000 printed sheets get to Franc's brigade is another tale. David McIntyre, despite lengthy travels and intermittent trips to the hospital, has managed, for 3 years, not to miss a single production date for stenciling and mimeographing. Cy Murphy is unfailingly there to assist.

Somehow these two manage to slip their production job in between Administrative staff's needs to use the equipment. With some sleight-of-hand from Nancy Grant, there is magic at work here.

The two lead-off, unsung heroes of this piece are Margaret Barall and her sister, Adda Gilbert, who begin the entire process by typing the Voice copy. Columnar typing is more demanding than straight typing, but it is easier to read, say the experts...

For Margaret and Adda there is no fixed schedule; they simply keep themselves available. Around the 10th of each month they might comment, "It's getting to be about that time again," signaling the editor that they are ready and willing. For the next 10 days they stand by to receive the copy in batches, correct the editor's mistakes, and graciously respond to minor crises and last-minute calls for help.

So now the secret is out--everyone knows what goes on behind closed doors...

--D.K.

THIRTY-THREE VETERAN STAFF MEMBERS MATCH RECORD OF PIONEER RESIDENTS

Amongst staff members there are 33 faces likely to be most familiar to Residents who arrived here during Broadmead's first three months.

Martin Trueblood signed on eight years ago to work with the Lifetime Care Committee in the planning stages. Martin's three right hands, Nancy Grant, Carolyn Huffman, and Pat Rodak, have 5-year pins.

Howard Ketler was with the Committee when Broadmead was still on the drawing boards and, as Superintendent of Maintenance, did yeoman's service during construction and, along with the others, sweated out the first tough year.

Gil Van Houten set up and has headed Food Service from its beginning, and Pat Brown Ketler was the first coordinator of Outpatient until the recent birth of her first baby. Eric Thompson, also in Health Care, has headed Social Service from the outset.

Maria Brown was Assistant Executive Housekeeper until this year when she was promoted to Executive Housekeeper.

Topping the list is Food Service, under Gil's direction, with 10 such veterans. The others are: Betty Loud, Tom Connors, Karen Koontz, Tina Pernell, Beth Uhler, Laverne Whye, Mark Bilger, Keith Blades, and Karen Malone.

Health Care is next with a total of 7, including Chris Clarke, Cherly Saintsing, Brenda Coppenhaver, Kathy Cramer, and Debbie Elligson.

Housekeeping and Maintenance are tied with 6 each. In Housekeeping, headed by Maria, are: Betty Gover, Phyllis Grammer, Johnnie Hunt, Sally Michael, and Pepe Williams. In Maintenance, headed by Howard, are Pat Wilson, Paul Trautner, Paul Belbot, Frank Dausen, and Bobbie White.



PRIMARIES TOO LONG SAYS VENETOULIS SUGGESTS IMPROVEMENTS IN SYSTEM

The Discussion Group opened its 6th season on Sept. 11 with Ted Venetoulis, publisher and TV political analyst for WBAL-TV channel 11, as speaker. He was County Executive when Broadmead was conceived, was a firm supporter, and helped bring Broadmead into being.

Venetoulis threw the meeting open to audience questions rather than giving a formal lecture.

The lead-off question was why our elective system so often elevates to the top persons of mediocre ability. Venetoulis said there are able persons in the political system, citing Mayor Schaefer as a prime example. But individuals with deep convictions and ideals usually do not survive in politics; most object to the innumerable mundane routine tasks required and to the abuse of critics. As a result, politics becomes a vehicle for success for those willing to endure the frustrations, abuse, and often demeaning routines.

He cited his own attempt to improve the county education system by making use of facilities year-round, to cut costs and make the system more efficient. He also wanted to reward the great teachers with substantial pay raises. Result: a stonewall of opposition - too difficult, impossible to determine who were the best teachers, etc.

Such opposition to intelligent change discourages able persons from entering public service and causes them to go into private enterprise where ability and innovation are appreciated and rewarded.

Venetoulis considers our primary system much too long, and exhausting. He would like to see regional primaries with at least two-week intervals in between. The winner of all the regional primaries would be nominated by the conventions; if there were two or more winners of regionals, the decision would be made by the convention. Thus the conventions would become an important part of the process. This system would save energy, time, and money for the

candidates and give the public a chance to judge them by their concentrated efforts in the regions, not by a flying visit to one city at a time.

Other statements and questions dealt with Reagan's success in implementing his program, and the Democrats' disarray. Venetoulis thinks that Reagan's success results in part from sticking to his principles and doing what he promised - he has reduced the level of government and has cut taxes. Many people may disagree with his principles but they like the man personally, which, more than anything else, accounts for his success.

Venetoulis considers Mondale a brilliant man who has had the best possible training for the presidency, but he lacks a sparkling personality - a must for successful TV acceptance. In judging any candidate, he urged voters to look carefully at the individual and what he stands for and not be influenced by the glibness of television.

--Helen Criley

Merry Making

Intent faces, animated talk. One person rolling out the dough, another using the cookie cutter. Someone preparing pastry for the second batch of cookies. "We make donuts, too, but we eat them before you know it." --Then there is talk of baking for the next Hallowell bake sale.

This scenario took place on Hallowell's east wing and was one of the weekly Thursday sessions known as "Kitchen Creations" under Sandy Krome's direction and shared between Hallowell and Cluster Residents.



DEADLINE FOR NOV. ISSUE: OCT. 15

PROGRAM PREVIEW

(See programs opposite for time and place)

Bert Booth will be the second speaker in the Discussion Group fall series. Her topic is "A Look at the Maryland Political Scene." She has been president of the Baltimore County League of Women Voters, president of the Maryland League of Women Voters, and has served in the Maryland General Assembly.

Helen Bentley and Congressman Long are both running for the Second Congressional seat in Congress, so they will be campaigning.

Dennis Shifflett, who will show slides on "Polynesia," has spent a great deal of time in the islands of the South Pacific. He has a collection of artifacts which he will bring along.

Theo Lippman, Jr., whose articles frequently appear on the editorial page of the Baltimore Morning Sun, will speak on "The Role of Minorities in the 1984 Election." This will be the third topic in the Discussion Group series.

Dorothy Graham

MOVIES

Listing of titles for Tuesday night movies is on the monthly calendar and the easel at the dining room entrance.

VOTER REGISTRATION

In preparation for participation in the general presidential election on Nov. 6, here are the important dates to remember:

OCT. 8 - End of voter registration.

OCT. 25 - Deadline for filing an application for an absentee ballot. If you wish to obtain the application form, please call 494-3161 and ask for it to be mailed to you.

--Jean Moser

PROGRAMS

(In the Auditorium unless otherwise noted)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1 - 7:15 p.m. -
"A Look at the Maryland Political Scene" -
talk by Bert Booth, League of Women Voters

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5 - 7:15 p.m. -
Piano Concert by Virginia Reinecke, in the
Lounges

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7 - 2 to 5 p.m. -
Broadmead's Open House at the Center

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9 - 9:30 a.m. -
Discussion Group

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10 - 10:30 a.m.
Health Forum: "Broadmead's Health Care
Delivery System."

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12 - 7:15 p.m. -
Helen Delich Bentley, campaigning for
Congress, Second District

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14 - 3 p.m. - Music
on Hollowell West

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15 - 5 to 7 p.m. -
Annual Dinner, in the Dining Room;
7:30 p.m. - Annual Meeting with Trustees

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19 - 7:15 p.m. -
Congressman Clarence D. Long of the Second
District

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20 - 7:15 p.m. -
"Polynesia" - slides and artifacts, by
Dennis Shifflett

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23 - 9:30 a.m. -
"The Role of Minorities in the Election
of 1984" - talk by Theo Lippman, Jr., of
the Sun

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24 - 1:30 p.m. -
Fashion Show by the Wardrobe

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27 - 7:15 p.m. -
Concert by the Gilman School Traveling
Men

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30 - 9:30 a.m. -
Discussion Group

Dorothy Graham

"A Nun's Prayer"

LORD, Thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and will someday be old. Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs. Make me thoughtful but not moody; helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all, but Thou knowest, Lord, that I want a few friends at the end.

Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details; give me wings to get to the point, even about my aches and pains. They are increasing, and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by. I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of others' pains, but help me to endure them with patience.

I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility and a lessening cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.

Keep me reasonably sweet; I do not want to be a Saint-some of them are so hard to live with-but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the devil. Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places, and talents in unexpected people. And, give me, O Lord, the grace to tell them so. Amen.

Editor's Note: The above "Prayer" has reached the Voice from various sources, and with minor variations, from time to time. The Voice is indebted to each of them.



HAVE YOU SEEN...?

Bright orange pumpkins in Augusta Shackford's vegetable garden getting ready for Halloween?

The wise old owl peering over another garden--substitute for a scarecrow?

New coat of white paint on face of Holly House? Hurrah!



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